

REMARKS

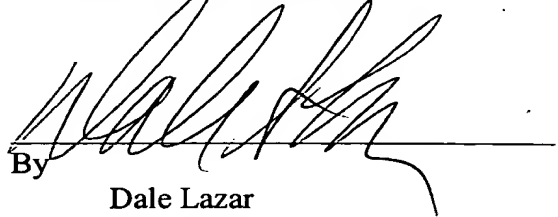
Reconsideration and allowance in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested. By this Amendment, claims 1, 7, 8, and 21 have been amended to merely clarify the recited invention without the intention of narrowing the scope of any of those claims. No new matter has been submitted as the claims are fully supported by the originally filed application.

This response is filed based on the interview with the Examiner at US PTO on December 22, 2003. The amendments are made according to the Examiner's recommendations stated in the Interview Summary, dated December 22, 2003. In claim 1, some of the limitations originally stated in the preamble are moved, according to the Examiner's suggestion, to the body of the amended claim 1. In other amended claims, the limitation "public switched telephone network" is replaced with "network" as recommended by the Examiner. Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-21, 23-26 will be pending.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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